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OF SEPTEMBER 27.

SUMMARY: THIS MESSAGE TRANSMITS SUMMARY OF STATEMENT
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IN GENERAL DEBATE BY REPS OF INDIA, ARGENTINA,
NORWAY, MALAYSIA, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, BELGIUM,
YUGOSLAVIA, AUSTRALIA, NIGERIA AND
CZECHOSLOVAKIA. IN ADDITION TO HEARING
THESE STATEMENTS, PLENARY ALSO APPROVED BOARD OF
GOVERNORS'S APPOINTMENT OF SIGVARD EKLUND AS
DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ANOTHER FOUR-YEAR TERM. END SUMMARY.

1. ARGENTINA: ADMIRAL CASTRO MADERO ELABORATED AT LENGTH ON RECENT PROGRESS IN ARGENTINA'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM; E.G. IMPROVEMENTS IN CAPACITY OF ATUCHA REACTORS, PROGRESS IN COMPLETION OF RIO TERCERO PLANT, PLANS FOR CONSTRUCTION, WITH FOREIGN ASSISTANCE OF PLANTS FOR FUEL FABRICATION AND HEAVY WATER PRODUCTION. WHILE APPLAUDING AGENCY PROGRAMS IN FIELD OF SAFETY CODES AND GUIDES, TRAINING OF PERSONNEL, INIS PROGRAM AND NUCLEAR DATA PROCESSING, CASTRO MADERO LAMENTED OVER-EMPHASIS ON SAFEGUARDS AT EXPENSE OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (TA) ACTIVITIES AND QUOTE ABSURD REASONING UNQUOTE ON QUESTION OF WHAT MATERIALS AND INFORMATION SHOULD BE SUPPLIED ONLY UNDER SAFEGUARDS.

2. MALAYSIA: DELETE OF MALAYSIA (ABDULLAH M. SALLEH) DEPLORED WHAT HE PERCEIVED AS DEMORALIZING EFFECT ON NPT PARTIES OF SLOW PROGRESS OF DISARMAMENT ON PART OF NWS'S, ASSERTED THAT NPT REGIME COULD ONLY BE EXPANDED AND ENLARGED BY ADHERENCE TO COMMITMENTS ON PART OF SUPPLIER STATES AND THEIR WILLINGNESS TO LIVE UP TO ARTICLE 4 OF NPT BY A MORE FORTHCOMING ATTITUDE REGARDING SHARING BENEFITS OF PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY. IT WAS FEARED, HE SAID, THAT CAUSE OF NON-PROLIFERATION WAS BEING USED AS A UNCLASSIFIED

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DEVICE TO JUSTIFY AN UNWILLINGNESS TO AGREE TO TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY. WHILE SUPPORTING EFFECTIVE AGENCY SAFEGUARDS, SALLEH URGED A MORE EQUITABLE BALANCE BETWEEN AGENCY'S PROMOTIONAL AND REGULATORY ACTIVITIES. IN CLOSING, HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT FEBRUARY MEETING OF THE BOARD WOULD HAVE BEFOREIT A REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR AGENCY TO CONCLUDE PROJECT AGREEMENT TO COVER SUPPLY OF TRIGA RESEARCH REACTOR WHICH, HE ADDED, WOULD BE QUOTE FIRST SIGNIFICANT ASSISTANCE FROM AN NWS TO A DEVELOPING STATE PARTY TO NPT.

3. BELGIUM: BELGIUM REP (SMOLDEREN) REFUTED ALLEGATIONS FROM SOME QUARTERS THAT IAEA SAFEGUARDS ARE NOT EFFECTIVE, BUT STRESSED THAT UNLESS ALL MEMBERS COOPERATED TO KEEP THEM SO, NPT REGIME WOULD

GIVE WAY TO IMPOSITION OF BILATERAL SAFEGUARDS ARRANGEMENTS. SMOLDEREN ALSO OBSERVED THAT CERTAIN STATES IN A PRIVILEGED POSITION SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO DICTATE TO OTHERS ON FUEL CYCLE MATTERS

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LEST NPT PARTIES BE PLACED IN LESS FAVORABLE POSITION
THAN NON-PARTIES. RE SUPPLY POLICY, SMOLDEREN
CALLED FOR FULL-SCOPE SAFEGUARDS AS CONDITION OF
SUPPLY TO NON-NPT PARTIES.

4. YUGOSLAVIA YUGOSLAVEA REP (OSREDKAR) VIEWED WITH
CONCERN EROSION OF NPT REGIME CAUSED, HE SAID, BY
REFUSAL OF DEVELOPED STATES TO SHARE TECHNOLOGICAL
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KNOW-HOW AND BY CONTINUING ARMS BUILD-UP. HE URGED MEMBER STATES, WHEN CONSIDERING SAFEGUARDS QUESTIONS TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT NEED TO QUOTE SAFEGUARD UNQUOTE RIGHTS OF LDCS TO DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR PROGRAMS AND TO DEPENDABLE FUEL SUPPLIES. TUGOSLAVIA WOULD NOT, HE SAID, UNDERTAKE ANY NEW OBLIGATIONS GOING BEYOND NPT UNLESS ALL OTHER STATES ALSO AGREED TO THEM.

5. AUSTRALIA: BULK OF SPEECH BY AUSTRALIAN DELEGATE (GEORGE) DEALT WITH RATIONALE FOR RECENT GOVERNMENT DECISION TO MINE AND EXPORT URANIUM, WHICH HE IDENTIFIED AS CONCERN THAT NEEDS OF IMPORTING STATES FOR FUEL BE MET UNDER CONDITIONS WHICH WERE COMPATIBLE WITH NON-PROLIFERATION OBJECTIVES. GEORGE ALSO NOTED AUSTRALIA'S INTENTIONS OF PROVIDING MATERIAL SUPPORT TO AGENCY'S SAFEGUARDS PROGRAM.

6. NIGERIA: AMBASSADOR OLUYEMI ADENIJI, NIGERIA'S DELEGATE, APPLAUDED DECISION TAKEN IN PAST YEAR WHICH HAVE LED, HE SAID, TO DEMOCRATIZATION OF AGENCY, BRINGING IT MORE INTO LINE WITH OTHER UN AGENCIES. HE ALSO NOTED WITH APPROVAL AGENCY'S WORK IN ERADICATION OF TSE-TSE FLY, WHICH HAD BENEFITED HIS COUNTRY. HE EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER IMBALANCE BETWEEN SAFEGUARDS AND TA ACTIVITIES OF AGENCY, AND WITH RESTRAINTS ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER BEING IMPOSED BY SUPPLIERS. IN RELATIVELY RESTRAINED ALLUSION TO REPLACEMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA BY EGYPT ON BOARD OF GOVERNORS, ADENIJI WELCOMED THIS EVENT AS HAVING IMPROVED AGENCY'S IMAGE.

7. CZECHOSLAVAKIA: IN BRIEF STATEMENT, CZECHOSLAVAKIAN UNCLASSIFIED

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DELEGATE (BARABAS) PRAISED AGENCY'S WORK IN PNE FIELD, AUTOMATED DATA PROCESSING OF SAFEGUARDS DATA, AND WORK OF SALZBURG CONFERENCE. HE ALSO EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION WITH PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF AGENCY'S SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENTS WITH EURATOM AND JAPAN.

8. NORWAY: NORWEGIAN DELEGATE (ERICKSON) EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH PRESENT BALANCE OF AGENCY'S ACTIVITIES BETWEEN SAFEGUARDS AND TA, HOPE THAT EURATOM SAFEGUARDS ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE FINALIZED SOON AND THAT SOUTH AFRICA WOULD ADHERE TO NPT.

9. INDIA: STATING THAT INDIA REMAINS FIRMLY COMMITTED

TO USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES ONLY,
INDIAN DELEGATE (SETHNA) WENT ON TO CITE
INDISPENSABILITY OF NUCLEAR ENERGY AS ALTERNATE
ENERGY SOURCE. HE CALLED FOR AUGMENTED TA, AND
IMPROVEMENTS IN ADMINISTRATION OF SAME, AND
EXPRESSED HOPE THAT SPECIAL ADVISORY GROUP ON
SAFEGUARDS IMPLEMENTATION (SAGSI) WOULD CONTINUE
TO ADDRESS EFFECTIVENESS OF SAFEGUARDS IMPLEMENTATION.

10. WHEN AVAILABLE, ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEXTS OF
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